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WEATHER
 WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—For lower Michigan: Generally fair; northwest winds.

SCARS AND BULLIES

Not the least forceful lesson taught by the Homestead collapse is the utter futility of strikes in the face of a glutted labor market. It was apparent from the day the lock-out was ordered that the places of the men could be filled in a week's time. If the unemployed, anxious to secure work under the company's scale, had been given assurances of safety and protection the mills would have been operated without interruption. It was not that the men had no sufficient cause, nor that the wealth of the company enabled it to keep its mills closed, but labor itself defeated the strike. This same lesson has been taught in every strike. The cry of "scab" may rally striking workmen to acts of violence, but invariably the "scab" wins in the struggle between incensed employees and indignant employers. The term when applied to a man is a nasty one. It brings him into contempt at once and makes him a target for ridicule and an object of hatred. Too often it is applied wholly undeserved. A poor man out of work, with a family to support, is not to be antagonized because he seeks honorable employment to earn bread and meat for those dependent upon him. Too often, too, honorable men are lured into strikes by the inflated utterances of professional agitators. In the storm of excitement these fellows are the first to cry "scab." Their unbalanced, unreasoning and incendiary exclamations are infinitely more mischievous than all the "scabs" can be to the interests of labor. While the rank and file starve for principle these "bullies" fatten on contributions intended for relief to others. If labor, organized and unorganized, will rid itself of the agitators, walking delegates, leeches and "bullies" it will serve itself well. So long as there are two men for every job these parasites will play both ends, assured that themselves will suffer least of all. Down with labor "bullies!"

LAZARUS AT THE GATE

It is reported that Lazarus Baker, state committeeman from Minnesota, has stood on the curb in front of Mr. Cleveland's residence every day since election, waiting to receive a summons to enter. The big men of the party rattle up to the curb in carriages, and alighting, are given a nod of welcome; but Lazarus stands at the gate unbidden. There is a world of pathos in the diffidence shown by this modest Lazarus. He could send up his card and ask for a brief audience with the democrat Joe, but he prefers to stand in front of the windows through which he longs to see a familiar nod and a friendly beck to enter. For two full weeks he has stood in the raw November air, but no sign has rewarded his ably vigil. When night falls and the blinds are drawn, shutting in from view the cozy interior of the Cleveland mansion, Lazarus wraps his fur coat tightly about his frame and wends his way to his lodgings. The next morning he is there to view the favored few as the great door swings open to welcome them. Just why Lazarus should stand at the great man's gate while others boldly enter is known only to himself. Perhaps his ambition to touch the hem of the great man's garment is not altogether barren of a desire to distribute the fat things among the hardened inhabitants of bleak Minnesota, and that he stands at the gate to keep "tab" on the would-be spoliemen who seek the honor. Or perhaps he is inspired by a strange hallucination that he won the victory for democracy and is waiting outside to receive the laurel crown from the victor. Whatever it may be his job will be gone today, for the Joe has taken to the woods to avoid those that jump clean over the gate and invade his innermost sanctum in their mad rush for office. Lazarus may have his inning later on.

REPRESENTATIVES DEBATED

When the ordinance bureau shall perfect a dynamite projectile, which will explode itself when it comes into contact with an object, or in default of such contact, will spend itself harmlessly, the secret of successful torpedo warfare will be solved. This report of the chief of ordinance indicates that an effort has been made to improve upon the old-fashioned torpedo. This is well enough, so far as it goes, but the American genius can be relied upon to produce something entirely different and many times more deadly. In the use of heavy ordinance, the shell and its propelling power are both expensive. The trouble has been not so much to get force and power to destroy as to get effectiveness. To hurl an immense bomb through the air at a frightful velocity, carrying in its momentum the dynamite power to pierce twenty-two inch steel plates, is a great achievement and one calculated to inspire awe in the mind of the beholder. But these great projectiles and mam-

moth guns are but playthings after all, unless they be made effective by steadiness of aim and certainty of delivery. "Bombs bursting in air" make a pretty pyrotechnic display and enthrall us with poetic patriotism. What we want is guns that will send the bombs into the midst of the enemy, or on to the deck of a hostile ship, there to explode and wreak destruction. It is the aim of the ordinance bureau to adopt original devices and those that give promise of effectiveness in actual warfare are looked upon with greatest favor.

GOLD AND SILVER

Last evening's Chicago newspapers contained full reports of the initial meeting of the international monetary conference, which convened at Brussels at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon and adjourned two hours later. The Chicago newspapers are unquestionably the most enterprising journals in the world, but in this particular case the difference in time lent material aid to the implied fiction that the news was received hot from a directly connected wire running from Chicago to the assembly room in Brussels. The conference will be a deliberative one, out of which nothing more radical than a proposal to unify and equalize the separate and conflicting systems of coinage now in vogue shall be drafted for final approval by the governments represented. If a universal gold standard shall be agreed upon and then shall be approved by the governments represented, many, if not all of the other questions will adjust themselves. It is not probable that silver will receive a very sympathetic reception. Its great abundance and its employment in manufactures have shorn it of the mintage value it once had. It is now looked upon by financiers as more of a marketable commodity than a coin metal and it is therefore under a cloud. Still if a universal gold standard shall be adopted, silver will have a more permanent and fixed value as a coin metal and its denominational issues whether great or small will be matter for little concern. To make it a legal tender for all debts in the country of issue is a matter of right.

HAVING each deposited \$20,000 to be forfeited to charity upon a decision showing which has the greater circulation, the Tribune and Inter-Ocean are now quarreling over the terms upon which the award shall be made. In Detroit the Journal has offered to give \$2,000 to charity if The News will prove its circulation by something stronger than an affidavit, and The News responds by offering a prize of \$50 to the person that shall guess what its circulation is for a given day. It will be interesting to observe how these rancorous quarrels will be continued and finally terminate.

Now that the new board of trade is infused with a change of energy it will take upon itself the task of making things jingle. The old board was a power for good in keeping the advantages of the city before the people, and the new one will not be less successful.

AGAIN the imperative necessity for approaching a railway crossing with eyes and ears open is illustrated by the shocking accident last night, which resulted in the instant death of a man and woman.

It is announced that the Illinois steel works at South Chicago will be closed December 15, thereby throwing 3,500 men out of employment. Such is the first fruits of democratic victory in Illinois.

As the days hurry on towards Thursday, the turkey gobbler's anticipation of spending Christmas with his family becomes stern solicitude for his Thanksgiving fete.

From the abundance of senatorial timber in this state at large, it is unlikely that anybody from the fifth district will be called upon to shoulder the galling yoke.

FOOTBALL is taking on all the mystery and importance of warfare. It is said that spies are in the camp of the U. of M. team, trying to learn the weak points in their impenetrable phalanxes.

SATURDAY evening the elated democrats of Detroit will give Don M. and his whippers a grand reception. It is to be hoped it will be a breezy night.

It was thoughtful in the canvassing board to adjourn without pay. The bill is already provokingly large.

GROVES has taken to the woods to escape the office seekers. The woods will now be full of 'em.

POINTS ABOUT PERSONS.
 A friend of Charles Warren Stoddard says that among the gentlemen used by Mark Twain in that lecture of his which afterward was developed into "Roughing It" they were taken on common yellow wrapping paper and consisted of a series of pictures only, so that the speaker could tell at a glance what came next. As a draughtsman he was about on a par with the average 6-year-old boy.

John Ogilvie Roorback of Myrtle, Conn., has a copy of the prayer book printed in the Mohawk language for the Rev. John Ogilvie, assistant minister of Trinity church, New York, in 1780. Only twenty copies were printed. Mrs. Roorback, it is said, has received an offer of \$4,000 for the book from the British museum.

The man who taught Joel Chandler Harris to set type in the office of a Georgia country weekly, says that the two most noticeable characteristics of the young "Uncle Remus" were his fondness for communing with rabbits and the attentiveness with which he listened to the stories told by old plantation negroes.

Lady Brooks' ("The babbling Brook") latest feat is a Shakespearean garden, in which there is to be planted every flower and shrub named in the great dramatist in his works. The first specimen was set out by the

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own royal hands of the prince of Wales.

During the reign of the cholera in Tabriz, Persia, Dr. Mary Bradford, an American Presbyterian missionary, was the only physician in the city. She treated nearly all the cholera cases who were sick, even the men, for in the extremity the rule had to be broken.

Governor McKinley comes from long-lived stock. His father celebrated the completion of his 85th year a few days ago, and a maiden sister of his venerable mother, who had come from from Boston, was also present.

John D. Rockefeller prides himself on being free from most of the vices, follies and eccentricities that abound among millionaires, multi-millionaires and those who would be considered as millionaires.

Minister Phelps is going ahead with arrangements for his annual Thanksgiving dinner to the Americans in Berlin just as if Harrison had carried every northern state instead of having lost most of them.

Steele Mackaye is an absorbed student of reptile lore. At one time he kept a rattlesnake at large in his study. He would write with the creature coiled up on his table, its head close beside his hand.

Mr. and Mrs. Gladstone are soon to erect a solid alabaster tablet in Hawarden churchyard to the memory of their eldest son, William Henry Gladstone, who died July 4, 1891, aged 51 years.

Charles Curtis, a newly elected republican congressman from Kansas, can trace his ancestry directly to the aboriginal inhabitants of the lands comprising the district in which he lives.

The sultan of Turkey has 300 wives; the king of Dahomey, 250; the Shah of Persia, 400; the king of Siam, 600; the king of Ashantee, 3,000, and the emperor of Morocco about 6,000.

Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes admitted the other day to a lady who went to him for information on the point that he did not know the name or subject of his first poem.

It was developed by testimony in a recent trial in London that the prince of Wales was indebted to the extent of \$2,345 for box tickets to the London Lyceum.

Professor Virchow, the German pathologist, has been appointed an honorary member of the Imperial Russian Natural Philosophy society.

The eclectic London society known as "The Souls" is to publish a paper, beginning in January, with Miss Margaret Tennant as editor.

A sword which General Sheridan is said to have used at Fort Yamhill, Ore., is now in the possession of an Oregon Indian.

Julian Hawthorne, who is the father of seven children, calls his home at Sag Harbor "The Home of Seven Gables."

Young "Jim" Garfield is said, now that he has grown a beard, to be the perfect image of his father.

ALLEGED TO BE FUNNY.
 Cholly—Bah, jove, I've a dreadful pain in my head! Can you suggest a remedy?
 Sinnerkin—Yes, have it filled.—Truth.

"Dear mamma, please give me another candy. I've lost mine."
 "Why, where have you lost it?"
 "In my stomach."—Harper's Bazaar.

Charlie (sadly)—Since you've been married, Tom, you never asked me to break bread with you.
 Tom—There's a good reason for it, old fellow. You couldn't break the bread we have at our house; you couldn't do more than bend it.—Detroit Free Press.

She—Where do you suppose the expression "not in it" arose.
 He—With Adam and Eve, possibly. Truth.

Swindlers and rascals every race, All climates and countries nourish; But swarming Africa's place Where blacklegs really flourish.—Truth.

Footpad—I want your watch.
 Cholly—I—I-I haven't a—any w— with me.

Footpad—Oh, I knew that. Gimme the ticket—Chicago News record.

Maud—Going to start to college next week! That will be delightful. What do you expect to take for the first year?
 Daisy—Seven trunks and one study.—Chicago Tribune.

Bubble—Why is Pellet so enthusiastic about getting up a foot ball team?
 Breeze—Because his brother has just hung out his shingle as an M. D.—Chicago Inter-Ocean.

Book Agent—Where's the man of the house?
 Mr. Henpeck—Over there. She's weedin' the garden.—Chicago News Record.

The court had sentenced him to six years in the penitentiary, at hard labor, for the crime of having three more wives than the law allows.

"Think of the sorrow, judge," exclaimed the prisoner, deeply moved, "that this will bring to four estimable families!"—Chicago Tribune.

He—My dear, why don't you try to be economical. I don't believe that Mrs. Lakeside is as extravagant as you are.

She—Perhaps not in some things. I understand she wore the same mourning dress for three husbands.—New York Herald.

Fortescue—They are still considering the possibility of having grand opera this winter, but it will probably be all talk.

Riyardene—That's what it was last winter.—Puck.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.

One of my sketches shows a pretty little mantle in a combination of chambray and dark chestnut velvet, with bands of loosely folded silk in a darker shade of chambray. The center of the mantle is embroidered in dark chestnut stars, and it fastens underneath on the right side. The skirt is of pale gray nun's veiling, bordered with dark gray. With this gown white gloves are worn, and a bonnet trimmed with multi-colored feathers and edged with pearl gray. The other figure wears an original and becoming toilet, consisting of a gown of gray merveilleux and black velvet sleeves, a very short mantle, with a trimming of pale green silk and a hat of gray satin, trimmed with peacock feathers.

I met a dreamer just back from Paris. "I made a study of the French houses," she said, "to find out about

winter clothes. I began with the leading luminary in matters fashionable, and contemplated the great Worth in all the glory of a sweeping ruffled mantle, the tower over one shoulder and a beret of black velvet jauntily placed on his grizzled locks. He confided that he intended dressing his customers generally in the latter-day empire style or a revised and modified short-waisted suit, suitable to every figure. The four or five men who accompanied him to the waist by a series of skillful seams gives a lengthy and elegant appearance to the figure, that round the bust and shoulders is handsomely trimmed with embroidery, wired jet or lace, which plays the part of the graceful and picturesque, outlining and bringing out the collar, the neck and the shoulders. This style was shown to me in black velvet, with strips of jet-work running from bust to hem and forming its voluminous clinging collar. This work is made to wear over various slips of brilliant color, thus giving a novel appearance each time it is donned. I shall introduce this style among my customers in this city, modifying it in various ways." FLORENCE.

WOMAN'S BRAVE HEARTEDNESS.
 "There are columns enough written about the differences and distinctions between men and women to reach at least three times around the globe and, unlike Dick's proverbial 'bat-hand, things would be pretty left to tie, and yet there is a difference which is by no means unimportant that I have never seen mentioned," said a woman who has been in business about two years and has made a decided success of the undertaking. The note-book woman was anxious to know to what end really was any regard to woman and her work which had not been thrashed and interrogated interestingly. "Did you ever notice," said the woman who is carrying forward the work of a large department and has a lot of people working under her direction, "that if a man, when he reaches middle life, meets with reverses he rarely seldom, if ever, retrieves himself. Now, the reverse is true of women. Their courage, hope and ability to conquer difficulties arise with the occasion, it matters not at what point in the procession of the years she is. One has only to look at her to verify this. On every hand are middle-aged men that have lost their place in the ranks and are simply stragglers of life's army to the end. Not so with women. They cannot only pick up themselves, but a whole family, and effectually turn back misfortune's tide. That's what I mean. My husband lost his property and his courage about four years ago. I never had done anything outside of my house, but I believed I could. Through a friend I got an opportunity to try, and I did not fail. I am by no means a solitary and exceptional example. I know of a great many women who have done the same thing and have done it as I have, after they were well on in the thirties."

ORATORY FOR WOMEN.
 "If I wish," said a man prominently connected with the world's fair and an orator, "that woman would study oratory. It has become so much the fashion for women to speak in public that they are brought to the fore on most occasions, and I am heartily tired of their little, sparrow-like parlor ways and piping voices on the rostrum. There are only a very few good speakers among the shoals of women that are before the public today. It is positively painful to listen to them. Their tricks and mannerisms, their want of force and power of delivery are all to a degree irritating. However good the substance of a speech, bad delivery ruins it. A good voice for singing must be trained to be successful and the same is true of public speaking. Women who have any idea of addressing audiences, either great or small, should take the trouble to prepare themselves for doing so. They owe such preparation to the women who follow them, the compliment of listening to them, and who can't do this should refrain from speaking in public."—Chicago Post.

FAIR IN FLOWERS.
 Every girl who considers herself "in the swim" endeavors to be always on the fringe of the various fads that from time to time society adopts. The very average young woman just now tries to wear always certain blossoms which she considers distinctly her own, going so far as to match the perfume of a very few roses and peonies among the flowers of her choice. The chrysanthemum, which at present very fashionable, still cannot be made to do duty in this line, as its reign is short, while its peculiar odor is not one that any one would care to adopt in perfume.

However, many incidents look very picturesque and are very becoming to the young and the young women who are wearing them. The Japanese blossoms, but the real fad belongs to those who, summer and winter, cling to one blossom and one perfume. Violets are always in high favor, and as they are, at certain seasons, the most fragrant, high in price, their adoption is for the girl with the long purse.

Spicy exhortations, jaxmines and roses of all sorts come under this heading, while orchids and lilies are likewise adopted by those who seek for the unique in this as well as in their other belongings. Scented powders are likewise in vogue, and in future, will be in harmony, and in future,

or at least until the rabble adopts the practice, a young woman will be recognized by the fragrance emanating from the folds of her gown or the depths of her glove box. It is a pretty fad, and one very beneficial to the florists and chemists.

CLEOPATRA'S NEEDLES.
 The name "Cleopatra's Needles" is a double misnomer, for first, they bear no resemblance to a needle, and second, Cleopatra had nothing to do with their erection, and in all probability never saw them. History tells us that the unfortunate queen had been dead seven years when the two obelisks which bear her name were taken to the great capital. The story of Cleopatra's needles is the story of the rise and fall of the many mighty empires. It takes us back to the time of Joseph, Moses and the Bible prophets, and then follows the winding thread of time down the ages for more than 3,400 years. It was in the time of the reign of Thothmes III.—1,500 years B. C.—that these two gigantic columns of hard granite were hewn from the solid strata of the hills at Syene, in southern Egypt. First they were transported down the Nile for a distance of 500 miles and set up in ancient Heliopolis, "The City of the Sun."

After standing as grim sentinels before that marvelous piece of architecture, the obelisks were removed for a full 1,500 years they were taken down and removed to Alexandria. This time they were stationed in front of Caesar's Temple and stood for almost a full 2,000 years in one position before they were again molested. At the time of the capture of Alexandria, Caesar's Temple and obelisks were cast in commemoration of what was really a triumph of engineering skill. This tablet after a lapse of 2,000 years, was found at the base of one of the obelisks. It bore this inscription in both Greek and Latin:

"In the eighth year of Augustus Caesar, barbarus, prefect of Egypt, caused these obelisks to be placed here, Pontius being architect."

Again, within the last score of years, they have been disturbed for a third time and at last separated, one being taken to London and the other brought to this side of the Atlantic and set up in Central Park, New York.—St. Louis Republic.

COUNTRESS OF ABERDEEN.
 The Countess of Aberdeen spent much of her youth on her father's Highland estate of Gushan. It was in these days that she made friends with her father's guest, Mr. Gladstone. "Mounted on her little pony, she often accompanied him on his rides, and he talked kindly to the bright little girl—sometimes concerning principles and people that some statesmen would have thought quite removed from the interest of so young a creature. But time passes quickly, and when in 1877, Isabel Marjoribanks became the Countess of Aberdeen, those early conversations and the personal influence they established had secured for Mr. Gladstone an influential and enthusiastic adherent in the popular young peeress."—Young Women.

FOR YOUR COUGH.
 For a troublesome cough take an ounce of licorice, a quarter of a pound of raisins, a teaspoonful of flaxseed and two quarts of water. Boil slowly until reduced to one quart, then add a quarter of a pound of finely powdered rock candy and the juice of one lemon. Drink half a pint of this when going to bed and a little more when the cough is troublesome.

DAMES AND THEIR DOINGS.
 An English lady, resident in Finland, has founded a creche, which is under the supervision of the Ladies' association, of which she is president. A similar charity was started by her in 1876. The lady, who is a clergyman's wife, has also established regular mothers' meetings, usually attended by about thirty women, and a savings bank. Every Christmas an entertainment is given, which is preceded by a little discourse from a clergyman in Swedish and Finnish.

A woman sanitary engineer has been chosen to represent the English women at the congress of hygiene. She is a woman of versatile talents, hygiene, divinity, physiology and sanitary science. She visits professionally slaughter houses, workshops and dairies, and understands all about the laying of drains, water mains, connections and so forth.

Miss Mildred Conway, the daughter of Moncure D. Conway, is a charming young woman, with fine figure, a mobile, interesting face and cordial manners. She is an accomplished musician and is devoted to helpful work among the poor.

Miss Rose Bonheur is still hard at work, notwithstanding her advanced age. She has just finished three small pictures—a cattle piece, a study of a sleeping lioness and an exquisite flock of Pyrenean sheep with their shepherd.

Dora Wheeler, the artist, has grown rounded and matronly with maturity. Always a tall woman with a wonderfully fine carriage and classic features, her figure now is that of a young Juno.

Amelie Rives-Chandler is fond of equestrian exercise and is quite at her ease in the saddle. She may be often seen riding into Richmond from her country home.

Baroness Burdett-Coutts, although 80 years old, avows an intention to come to the world's fair at the head of the philanthropic section.

William Howser, a mechanic at Independence, Oakland county, has completed a secretary that takes the cake right from the mouth of any patched quilt ever exhibited at a county fair. It is made up of 27,684 pieces of wood obtained from the several states and territories and it took him 250 days to construct it. Michigan men and all others will have an opportunity to inspect it at the world's fair and to purchase it if they have a few thousand to spare.

The Unity club of Kalamazoo has arranged for a series of educational lectures on the world's fair. Lectures will be given by Hon. Thomas W. Palmer, Mrs. Ellen M. Hendrune, Col. Louis H. Ayres, the Rev. J. D. Jones, Dr. Selim H. Peabody, Mrs. L. H. Stone, the Rev. Augustus J. Chapin, Dr. L. L. Lardo Taft and the Rev. Caroline J. Bartlett. Outside of Chicago this course is the only one known on the subject.

Cartier and Cousins, the two Niles negroes who murdered George McCoy of Downage a few evenings before election, McCoy being in Niles to attend a democratic torchlight procession and mass meeting, have been held for trial by the coroner and are in the Berrien county jail.

Word was received at Saginaw Monday afternoon that Archibald Brown, aged 24 years, formerly employed by the Saginaw Lumber & Silt company, was killed at Joliet, Ill. The particulars of the tragedy were not given.

Republicans should not be discouraged. The democratics are crow for twenty-four years and see what mighty strength it gave them.—Detroit Free Press.

NEWS OF THE HOTELS.

"About all the political excitement in the state seems to be in the vicinity of Grand Rapids just at present," said Congressman-elect J. W. Moon of Muskegon at the Morton yesterday. "I believe in the principle of a recount," he said. "If there is the slightest chance that mistakes have been made that will throw the election one way or the other both candidates and the people are entitled to know that the count is exactly right. I don't think Mr. Cleveland will call an extra session of congress," said Mr. Moon. "There seems to be very little necessity for it. Of course if the democrats feel that an extra session would be a good thing for them one may be called; but I don't expect to be obliged to go to Washington until a year from now."

A. V. Cochran, of Midland, grand regent of the Michigan Royal Arcanum, is a guest at the Morton. "The order is in excellent condition," said Mr. Cochran. "We have about 140,000 members in the country and over 1,100 lodges. I am here tonight to meet with Bryant council in a civil time. I came over with my friend, Tom Parish, of Grand Haven. Mr. Parish is past grand regent. I'm following in his footsteps. A winner? Well, I don't know. I ought to have the postoffice, I suppose, but Tom has changed his politics and will probably stay. He says he'd like to meet an administration that can stop quinkers' he can."

Silas Kilbourne and A. Bronson of Grand Haven, J. H. Simmons of Newaygo, E. E. Lamoreaux, a Chicago real estate dealer, Mrs. J. J. Williams of Fields and Edwin C. Ried, the well-known editor of the Allegan Gazette, died at the New Livingston yesterday.

The Rev. Washington Gardner, professor of biblical history in Albion college, was a guest at the New Livingston yesterday. H. G. Bowers of Canton, R. C. Pennington of Jamestown, N. Y., and F. M. Bosworth of Jackson also were arrivals there.

W. W. Mitchell and wife and Miss Hall of Cadillac, P. F. Bradt of Boston; N. B. Jones of Lansing, D. B. Butler of Frankfort, E. K. Burke of Lansing and M. M. Reed, a Montreal railroad man, arrived at the Morton last night.

John Wigmore, a San Francisco lumberman, John Mitchell and wife, Cadillac, L. T. Orell, C. W. Redfern of Whitefish and Frank A. E. Cook and wife of Newaygo arrived at the Morton yesterday.

Judge Edward Cahill of Lansing, Milton Kerns of Pittsburg, Thomas A. Parish of Grand Haven, C. L. Andrews of Detroit and H. S. Jordan of Lansing were guests at the Morton yesterday.

M. C. Oids of Chicago, E. F. Cook of Ionia, M. A. Adams of Jeffersonville, Ind., Theodore Merrill of Kalamazoo and Mr. and Mrs. H. Walsh of Holland are at the Morton.

J. L. Wilkins and Miss Della Wilkins of Hastings, H. N. Anderson and Le Roy Moore of Greenville, Congressman J. R. Whiting and P. E. Roberts of St. Clair, were at the Morton yesterday.

T. E. McLean of Omena, Edwin W. Smith of Philadelphia, John C. Newman of Dorset, M. Hawley of Chicago and Charles Koids of Niles are at the Morton.

Our Bigelow, J. M. Smith and A. M. Smith, Algonac lumber men, Samuel S. Walker of Niles and E. B. Hulley of Chicago registered at the Morton last night.

Mr. and Mrs. R. McNaughton and William McNaughton of Big Rapids arrived at the New Livingston yesterday afternoon.

Ma Widdicombs's Shoe Fund.
 John Widdicombs is following his annual custom of raising money for shoes for the worthy poor for Thanksgiving day. The sum to be donated this year will be \$200, it having steadily increased with each recurring Thanksgiving.

Will Have Cheap Rates.
 CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—But one inference can be drawn from the discussion of world's fair rates at the convention of railroad general passenger agents, and that is that the public will get the benefit of low rates to the exposition. When the discussion was over, those inclined to prophesy thought the rule most likely to prevail would be fare and one-third for limited trains and one fare for the round trip on all others.

Agricultural Congress.
 LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 22.—The twelfth annual session of the national agricultural congress opened here this morning with 139 delegates in attendance. Other delegates are expected to arrive tomorrow. The congress was called to order by Secretary B. Y. Clayton of Iowa.

Drowned in the Lake.
 LUDINGTON, Nov. 22.—The schooner Perry, from Milwaukee, arrived here yesterday. She reports losing Joe Kuyler, one of her sailors, overboard just out of Milwaukee.

Blizzard at Au Train.
 AU TRAIN, Nov. 22.—One of the severest wind and snow storms ever experienced in this section raged here yesterday and today. Two feet of snow has fallen.

Morse's Campaign Expenses.
 LANSING, Nov. 22.—According to a statement filed with the secretary of state Allen B. Morse's expenses in the recent campaign amounted to \$1,151.12.

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Silas Kilbourne and A. Bronson of Grand Haven, J. H. Simmons of Newaygo, E. E. Lamoreaux, a Chicago real estate dealer, Mrs. J. J. Williams of Fields and Edwin C. Ried, the well-known editor of the Allegan Gazette, died at the New Livingston yesterday.

The Rev. Washington Gardner, professor of biblical history in Albion college, was a guest at the New Livingston yesterday. H. G. Bowers of Canton, R. C. Pennington of Jamestown, N. Y., and F. M. Bosworth of Jackson also were arrivals there.

W. W. Mitchell and wife and Miss Hall of Cadillac, P. F. Bradt of Boston; N. B. Jones of Lansing, D. B. Butler of Frankfort, E. K. Burke of Lansing and M. M. Reed, a Montreal railroad man, arrived at the Morton last night.

John Wigmore, a San Francisco lumberman, John Mitchell and wife, Cadillac, L. T. Orell, C. W. Redfern of Whitefish and Frank A. E. Cook and wife of Newaygo arrived at the Morton yesterday.

Judge Edward Cahill of Lansing, Milton Kerns of Pittsburg, Thomas A. Parish of Grand Haven, C. L. Andrews of Detroit and H. S. Jordan of Lansing were guests at the Morton yesterday.